I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I am especially concerned about this issue because the cable companies are expressing an interest in becoming the primary internet carriers. The beauty of the internet is it's diversity. A monopoly structure could seriously impair people's access to this free range of information.

The American people deserve the power of choice, undermining this choice undermines the democratic ideals upon which this country is founded.